

5 October, 1944

Subject: MC Liaison Officer - Chungking.

To: Colonel John J. Coughlin.

Thru: Channels.

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1. Attached hereto is a report on the nature and scope of an MC Liaison Officer's job in Chungking which you requested be prepared and submitted to you. It is hoped that it will be found adequate and helpful. An appendix to the report analyzes very briefly the major activities of the undersigned over the last thirty days.

2. The following is a brief summary of the argument of the report.

a. The Problem:

Is there a full time job for an MC Liaison Officer in Chungking, and if so, what is its nature and extent?

b. Facts Bearing on the Problem:

A definitive answer as to the nature and extent of an MC Liaison Officer's job in Chungking cannot be given until first, the future of MC within (and without) Saco is determined; second, the manner in which MC activities in China are to be coordinated is fixed; and third, responsibility for the several operations clearly delineated and defined.

However, it is clear that selected intelligence (information, concerning the enemy and collaborators with the enemy, and of our ally, China, forms the basis of most if not all MC production; that the gathering (and evaluation) of much of that information requires the establishment, cultivation, and enlargement of official and unofficial sources thereof through constant contact; and that the ultimate dissemination of MC material so produced requires certain approvals prior thereto as well as an organization in the field, many of whom can be interviewed and recruited in Chungking.

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It is true also that Chungking is the main head of the major activities of many and varied agencies including those of our ally, China. There also, are our opposite numbers in other governments and the key agencies of our government including CIA, FAA, and OWI - a major contact and our chief partner in interest. Chungking is thus the source of much of the raw materials of our production. It is also the seat of our Embassy and Army Headquarters from whence approvals of our production must come.

From all this it appears that an AC Liaison Officer could be invaluable in the gathering and selection of intelligence, in keeping up and enlarging the contacts required to do so, in obtaining the necessary clearances and approvals of our productions, and in recruiting personnel.

3. Recommendations:

It is therefore recommended that an AC Liaison Officer be maintained in Chungking serving not only the AC but also in China. Such an officer may also perform incidental services for other branches of AC as requested.

If the above recommendation be adopted it is imperative that the present office space or its equivalent at Army Headquarters be assured because without it there will be neither adequate privacy, sufficient security, reasonable availability to others, nor ready access to Army personnel and services.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry C. Smith
 HENRY C. SMITH

Major, AIC.

OSS MO CBI
NEW DELHI

6 October 1944

TO: Colonel Robert B. Hall
Attention: Lt. Charles Penn, USMCR

FROM: Betty MacDonald

Colonel Coughlin referred your letter of September 25th to me. In paragraph 5 you mentioned you would appreciate MO production material. Can you give us further information in complete detail on the type of MO material desired, what the targets will be, and how you plan to disseminate the material? We are most anxious to start on the work but do not want to duplicate any efforts that might be coming from Washington or SEAC.

Captain Caldwell gave us your gifts. Both Marge and I were thrilled with them and we want to thank you very much.

Good luck on your mission. Keep us posted. Our regards to Gordon.

Betty MacDonald
Acting Chief, MO, CBI

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OSS MO CBI
NEW DELHI

6 October 1944

TO: Colonel Robert B. Hall
Attention: Major Harold Faxon

FROM: Betty MacDonald

SUBJECT: Border Publications

MO-Delhi is most anxious to get a complete list of the border newspapers and magazines published in Free China. Captain Caldwell informs me that there are 75 newspapers now being circulated, both in occupied and unoccupied China, and that OWI's new psychological warfare man, Neal Brown, has a list of these. Could you contact him and obtain this information?

I am attaching a photograph which we thought could be used by some of the newspapers. I would like your comments on the picture and its possibilities. If you think it could be used, can you ascertain from Mr. Brown what size mats should be made, how many, what screen, and where they would be sent. Let me know soonest and I will have mats reproduced in Delhi and sent out to you.

Captain Caldwell's plan is progressing rapidly and we hope that we will be servicing the areas which he has been working on for some time. Any suggestions that you have for production will be greatly appreciated.

Betty MacDonald
Acting Chief, MC, Cbi

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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES
CHINA BURMA INDIA

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20 Oct 1944

Dear John:

I am taking the liberty of sending you an advance copy of my report to you, the original of which is on its way ~~to~~ through the channels, because it appears Colonel Hall will miss it in running and it will be lost there until he gets back (from here when he is due) and I have your letter that you are anxious to receive it.

I am also enclosing a copy of a letter I wrote Herb which I believe will interest you and may be of some help. The reason I wrote direct is that the problems I discuss in it are broad questions particularly within Herb's and my knowledge as we have been responsible for the overall picture from the beginning. The questions which the letters I refer to in Herb's letters are for the field and will, of course, be discussed through regular channels.

I hope I may stay here for a while. Faxon is here and we are at work on our analysis of the plan you sent us.

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES
CHINA BURMA INDIA

I am writing this hurriedly and in long hand because
there is a quick plane out first thing in the morning
and I must send this right now.

Sincerely if hurriedly

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HEADQUARTERS
OSS. SU. DET. 202, CBI
APO 627

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3 October 1944

TO : Colonel John G. Coughlin, HQ OSS CBI Theater.
via Colonel Robert E. Hall.

FROM: Major Harold G. Faxon.

1. Referring to your letter of 27 September 1944 I had a long conversation with Major Wichtrich on the subject of the plan which Captain Caldwell is now preparing. Although, through some misunderstanding I was not present at the conference between Colonel Hall, Major Wichtrich and Capt. Caldwell, Colonel Hall has since discussed the entire situation with me and I feel that I am as fully informed in respect to the plan as is possible pending receipt of the detailed plan itself. Major Wichtrich feels that there are great possibilities in the scheme and I thoroughly agree with him. You have probably received my letter of 23 Sept. on this same subject and, if you agree, I can go to Chengtu to make further investigations on the spot.

2. There is no doubt that, as you state, every detail of the plan must be thoroughly gone into before it is put into effect particularly, as Major Wichtrich pointed out, in regard to avoiding any conflict with agents now operating in the areas under discussion.

3. I note that Mrs. McDonald has been designated as temporary MO Chief CBI. I consider that Mrs. McDonald is remarkably competent and, as we are on very friendly personal terms, I assure you that it will be a pleasure to cooperate with her.

4. A lengthy report has been received from the leader of the Mack Group, organized by Lt. Fenn, and we will arrange for him to report in person at Kunming just as soon as we can contact him. Nothing has been heard from the Mabel Group. The rapidly changing tactical situation has temporarily confused our plans for the Mack Group but we will be able to make effective use of this personnel after consultation with this leader.

5. Arrangements are now being made for two of our enlisted men together with two Chinese, to make a trip

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behind enemy lines for MO and SI and, possibly, a certain amount of SO. I am in close touch with Major Wichterich in this connection, and before these men actually go into the field we will make a most thorough check of all possible contingencies.

6. We have made very satisfactory contacts with OWI and other Allied agencies. There is an obvious willingness on the part of these agencies, to extend the fullest possible cooperation.

HAROLD C. FAXON
Major, AUS.,
Chief MO, China Area

1st W/Ind

HQ. OSS.SU. DET. 202 CBI, APO 627, 4 October 1944
TO: C.O. HQ. OSS. CBI., APO 888

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ROBERT B. HALL
Colonel, AUS
Commanding

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BRANCH HEADQUARTERS
OSS SU DETACHMENT 101
APO 485

9 October 1944

ENSIGN GUNNAR G. MYKLAND
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER
OSS SU DETACHMENT 202
APO 627

Dear Gunnar:

It was nice seeing you in Delhi and Calcutta. I hope I may be in Kunming within a fairly short time, but must make arrangements and get settled in Delhi first.

The enclosed funds should appear in your books as a transfer from me to you. The same is true of the two deposits made to your bank account here of Rs. 30,440 on 4 October and Rs. 50,434 made 9 October. The total of these amounts is U.S.\$100,000, and is therefore all you should receive from me for the month of October, except in emergencies.

Regarding the U.S.\$30,000 I gave you in cash and an additional deposit of Rs. 30,440 made 30 September, this represents the final amount due you for September funds, and should also be shown in your books as transfers from me to you.

Please thank Bob Davis for sending me my camera.

Best regards.

Yours sincerely,

JOSEPH P. LEETE
Commander, USNR
Special Funds Officer
OSS - CBI

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To: Mr. Charles Cheston.

From: 1st Lt. John P. Chapman, AUS

Via: Dr. William L. Langer

Subject: Recruitment of CBI Enlisted Men in the Field

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In view of Lt Demas' memo of 9 October we find it necessary to set forth the steps taken by this Branch upon the receipt of cables 9777 and 9787 from Colonel Coughlin dated 28 September 1944.

Both of these cables were received in the R&A Outpost Unit on 29 September 1944. Either on that day or the day following, the contents of both these cables were discussed over the phone with Captain Rumph of the Far East Theater Office. In answer to his inquiry as to the action contemplated by this Branch I explained that it has been the long standing policy of R&A not to request slots for the assignment of personnel in the theaters until we in Washington were advised of the qualifications and intended assignments of the candidates proposed by R&A Outpost Chiefs. It was further explained to Captain Rumph that at that time this Branch had pending in F.P.B. a number of requests for procurement of officers and enlisted men for CBI and that there were also pending before Mr. Cheston requests for additional slots to cover the recruitment of professionally qualified military and naval personnel for CBI. I advised Captain Rumph that I felt it inadvisable for this Branch to take any action until the qualifications of Colonel Coughlin's candidates were considered along with the qualifications of the personnel covered in the requests for procurement and in the requests for additional slots. Captain Rumph indicated his agreement with this position.

Accordingly in cable number 13997 dated 30 September, Colonel Coughlin and Major Spencer were asked to provide the names, qualifications, and proposed duties of the personnel referred to in the two incoming cables mentioned above. A reply to this cable was received in this office late in the afternoon of Thursday, 5 October, in incoming cable 9977. Action copies of this cable were sent to Dr. Langer, Dr. Fahs of the Far East Division and Mr. Dykes of the Map Division. Each of these persons were asked to advise me if they were in favor of requesting slots in accordance with Colonel Coughlin's request. Cable 9977 described two of the enlisted men as being qualified only as clerks and typists and the third enlisted man as being a capable cartographer

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and cartoonist who would be suited for map work at Detachment 101. On either Thursday or Friday of last week Captain Rumph queried me as to the advisability of R&A requesting slots for GI clerk-typists. Sometime on 7 October Mr. Dykes expressed doubts as to the feasibility of assigning the cartographer to 101 believing that several of the enlisted men whose procurement was then pending would be better qualified. I advised Mr. Dykes that in my opinion the assignment of personnel in the theater must be left almost entirely to Major Spencer in consultation with Colonel Coughlin.

On Monday, 10 October, the writer received notification from Dr. Langer, Dr. Fahs and Mr. Dykes to the effect that they approved the requesting of the additional slots to cover the three enlisted men proposed by Colonel Coughlin. On that same day I advised Captain Rumph by phone of this decision, explaining that a memorandum to this effect was in preparation. This was the status of the matter when Lt. Demas' memo of 9 October was received in my office.

This Branch concurs with Lt. Demas' request for authority to advise Colonel Coughlin that his request for additional slots be granted.

1st Lt. John P. Chapman, AUS
Chief, R&A Outpost Unit

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OSS SU DETACHMENT 101
APO 465

11 October 1944

Wesley Sumner G. Mykland
Special Funds Officer
OSS SU Detachment 202
APO 627

Dear Sumner:

I am enclosing bank statement for OSS SU Detachment 202, covering transactions from August 9 through October 5.

I propose to send the bulk of the funds allotted to 202 to you from Delhi, although I will have to let you know my final plans concerning this after the office is moved there. I expect to leave Calcutta tomorrow for Delhi. You may prefer keeping a small balance in the Calcutta bank account, but we can discuss this later.

Did Cpl. Rehm write you about X-2 funds and accounting therefore? If not, I'll send you a copy of his letters.

JOSEPH F. LESTE
Commander, USNR
Special Funds Officer
OSS CBI

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CHINA BURMA INDIA
APO 885

12 October 1944

TO: Commanding Officer
OSSSU Detachment 202
APO 627
Attention: Major Harold C. Faxon

FROM: Betty MacDonald

1. In answer to your letter of October 6 regarding a Japanese writer, it is understood that Washington is sending a group of Japanese from Collingwood in the near future. No definite word, however, has been received from Colonel Little in regard to this. We wired late last month that transportation was available on three fast ships leaving for India during October.
2. In Delhi, the MO branch, through Colonel Coughlin, is attempting to procure certain Nisei who are on detached service. It may be that these men will be available for only a short period of time, if at all. However, if they are obtained, we shall be able to supply you with a first-rate translator. These Nisei are not expert writers, however.
3. Colonel Coughlin estimated, in a memorandum to General Donovan, that China would need about seven Japanese who could read, write and speak the language. This request has gone through to Washington.
4. In the matter of Chinese type, I have requested that Lt. David Caldwell of reproduction look into the matter of procuring a font in Calcutta. Perhaps you could check on the minimum amount of type required to produce a newspaper in Chinese, the weight and cost. In this way, if Caldwell is unable to obtain type in Calcutta, we can have the answer in China.

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Acting Chief, MO, CBI

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CHINA BURMA INDIA
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12 October 1944

**TO: Commanding Officer
OSSSU Detachment 202
APO 627
Attention: Major Harold O. Faxon**

FROM: Betty MacDonald

1. Major Jacques de Sibour is now in Delhi and we have been discussing with him the possibility of MO activities in French Indo China. He explained that any MO work we produced could be sent out immediately against the target Japanese and Annimite populations.

2. In order to do a good MO job against the Japanese targets, we would like the following information, which Major de Sibour said you would be able to obtain through Major Glass and Lieut. J. de St. Phalle:

a) Postal intelligence in all of French Indo China, including examples of post cards, letters, stamps and censor marks, used within that territory by Japanese troops, Annimites and French.

b) Names of Japanese newspapers and publications and copies, if possible.

c) Pamphlets and propaganda issued by the French.

d) Japanese order of battle for French Indo China and, wherever possible, lists of the names and addresses of Japanese soldiers and officers.

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Betty MacDonald
Acting Chief, MO, CBI

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HEADQUARTERS
OSS SU Detachment 202
APO 627

13 October 1944

Commander Joseph F. Leete,
Special Funds Officer
Branch Headquarters
OSS SU Detachment 101
APO 465

Dear Commander Leete,

I received your pouch today with the much needed currency.
I have noted all the transfers you mention in the letter and
shall check them with my own books to make sure we agree.

Enclosed you will find the receipt for the Rupees and U.S.\$.

Sincerely,

Gunnar G. Mykland

GUNNAR G. MYKLAND
Ensign, USNR
Finance Officer, OSS, CBI

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14 October 1944

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Charles S. Cheaton

From: Far East Theater Office

Subject: RMA Memorandum on Recruitment of Enlisted Men in the Field.

1. Memorandum of 10 October 1944, from Lt. Chapman of RMA to you via Mr. Langer on the matter of recruitment of CBI enlisted men in the field, has come to me with your note asking whether this is finished business and asking further for my comments.

2. The subject matter was the recruitment of 3 enlisted men in CBI and the request from Colonel Coughlin for certification of recruitment vacancies.

3. In my memorandum to you of 9 October, I recommended that the requests be granted. A few days later you approved the requests and Colonel Coughlin has been notified. This phase of it is, therefore, finished business and nothing further need be done.

4. In view of this request for my comments there is one point I should like to make. The simple fact is that assuming that the proper diligence on the part of the branches here in recruitment, the selection, processing and transportation involved takes the shape of several months before the man arrives on the job in the field. From time to time the Branch Chief in the field or the Strategic Services Officer finds a man in the field who is immediately available to do a job requiring immediate doing. The only hold up is the simple matter of getting the "slot". I need not enlarge upon the time saving involved in permitting the local recruitment under the circumstances. Lt. Chapman's memorandum and the delays involved in this particular instance point out most clearly the confusion, delay and cable cost involved if the branches in Washington must sit in executive session and approve every such local recruitment with power of veto. In the particular instance two of the men involved were clerical typists. We must assume the men sought to be recruited in the field were capable. In any case our people there were far better able to judge the capabilities than we here in Washington.

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5. I can see no purpose being served in restricting such recruitment by first requiring that descriptions and qualifications be forwarded here and then that Washington approve in cases where an enlisted man presently in the Far East is involved. Good administration demands that we rely on the Strategic Services Officer's judgment in such cases, and that the application to Washington be only to the Director for a "slot".

GEORGE C. DENNIS
Lt (jg) USNR
Far East Theater Officer

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CHINA BURMA INDIA
APO 885

14 October 1944

TO: Commanding Officer
OSSSU Detachment 202
APO 627
Attention: Major Harold C. Faxon

FROM: Betty MacDonald

I am attaching DT-12. It is a 4-page MO job allegedly torn from a magazine called "Lumiere". It is a ridicule of the GEA policy and it is written in English. I will send one batch now, to be followed next week by another, until you have had three in all, or approximately 4,000 copies. I had envisaged sending the material out in dribbles to areas where English is read and spoken. That would include Shanghai, Hongkong and certain areas in French Indo China where the "Lumiere" is circulated. It might be well to send material in as agents go into the territory and have some on hand so you can keep feeding it. It is timeless and can always be used. On each copy of the "Lumiere" holes should be punched where it was torn from the original magazine. I will attach one sample to show you how it should look.

Colonel Hall has been here and has talked at length about the AGAS plan, which has been approved by Colonel Coughlin. Captain Caldwell is implementing it now and recruiting personnel. We hope that it will be put into service soonest. It will be an excellent means of disseminating material, as you well know.

For an MO job we are contemplating, we are anxious to get a sample menu from the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo or some other large eating establishment there or in Shanghai. Captain Caldwell tells us that Paul Linebarger might be able to obtain such a menu through his connections with Suzie. I would also like to have a copy of his interview with this girl who recently spent some time in Tokyo. She is a Chinese.

Marge and Grace join me in sending regards.

Attachments

Betty MacDonald
Acting Chief, MO, CBI

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Enclosures: Progress Report - OSS-MO/AGAS Project (16 Oct. 1944)

Copy of memo to Capt. Becker re Indestruction of
OSS/MO-AGAS Personnel (10/17/44)

Copy of memo to Col. Coughlin re Utilization of
Chinese Minorities for OSS Purposes (10/12/44)

Memo dated 3 October 1944 from Col. Little to Col.
Coughlin for Lt. Auchincloss re "Black Radio"

Memo dated 26 Sept. 1944, from Lt. Zukerman to
Lt. Auchincloss re Status report - Radio

Copy of Project JN-27

Copy of memo dated 5 Oct. 1944 to Lt. Fenn from
Col. Little re MO Operations - answer to letter
14 Sept. 1944.

Letter from Capt. Calliwell dated 15 October 1944
re Pvt. Albert E. Seely

Copy of memo re New Trends in Japanese Propaganda (10/16/44)
Copy of Translation Series No. 26

Copy of MO Abstracts #54

To: Major Harold Faxon

From: Betty MacDonald

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CHINA BURMA INDIA
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17 October 1944

TO: COMMANDING OFFICER
OSSSU Detachment 202
Attention: Major Harold Faxon

FROM: Marjorie Severyns

SUBJECT: JICA Intelligence.

Reference is made to your memorandum to Colonel Hall, Attn. Colonel Coughlin, dated 22 September.

MO New Delhi now goes over all JICA intelligence in addition to other intelligence reports available in New Delhi, including all American and British sources. The MO Abstracts are taken from these reports and sent to you each week. We had made an effort to excerpt every item which had MO possibilities. From time to time full reports are sent for background material.

If these abstracts are not complete enough and you would prefer having the JICA distribution in addition, please advise us and we will make the necessary arrangements.

Best regards.

Marjorie Severyns

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We went to the dinner party that evening and this was the first speech prepared. I got Auchincloss and turned to him for ideas for me as I was not going to ~~be~~ for the job.

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I replied that I knew that "Lillian" was, and that the rest of the had been too. I pointed to the

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Q. I. Whether to stay in or get out of the market will have to come out in the end with our ability to finance the costs of our own coal with these rules. I think that is the main thing in this.

9. If you come out in the open and find that you are in the line of fire, we must stop our other projects in order to deal with this situation. We must not, as the saying is, "let the tail wag the dog." We must not let the tail wag the dog. We must not let the tail wag the dog. We must not let the tail wag the dog.

5. If we let out of SMO there is going to be political pressure brought to bear to get us out of SMO completely. I am sure that is what must happen without fail *by written warning*

4. If we get out of back it would make it much easier for
likes to keep us out of the big show than it does. I believe
said in his letter to you. I've covered in all these things,
I think, could be broken. ~~_____~~

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Mr. Brown, the FBI, advised the "Wall Street Journal" that the Chinese had a list of companies, against whom they were planning an embargo of goods. The embargo of goods against Japan, the Japanese feared, would be the first step toward the embargo of goods against the United States. The embargo of goods against Japan, the Japanese feared, would be the first step toward the embargo of goods against the United States. The embargo of goods against Japan, the Japanese feared, would be the first step toward the embargo of goods against the United States.

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Willa

Mr. C. E. Smith, Jr.
Chicago, Ill.
Dear Sir:

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CHINA BURMA INDIA
APO 885

19 October 1944

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Envelope #26

Enclosures: Letter re John Abernathy attaching
copy of letter from Lt. Lee, copy
of letter from Abernathy.

Memorandum of meeting with John
Emerson

Memorandum of meeting with William
D. Carter

Memorandum from Lt. Col. Little to
Dr. Scofield, attaching copy of
memorandum from Mr. Tryon and
Japanese Morale Reports I and II -
Subject: Analyses of Jap P/W
Interrogations

Translation Series 22-25

TO: Commanding Officer
OSSSU Detachment 202
APO 627
Attention: Major Harold Faxon

FROM: Betty MacDonald

ALSO ENCLOSED copy of memo to
Col. John G. Coughlin to Lt.
Col. Little re Black Radio

TO: Major Faxon for Lt. Auchincloss

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CBI
AFO 885

21 October 1944

Ensign Gunnar G. Mykland
Special Funds Officer
HQ OSS BU Detachment 202
AFO 627

Dear Gunnar:

1. I wrote to you on September 4 asking that you give me as soon as you could an estimate of personnel requirements for China. I know that you have a lot on your hands, but I am anxious to submit an overall report for the theater and would appreciate your letting me have the 202 estimate as soon as possible.

2. I am enclosing copies of Amendment to Circular No. A-8, Bulletin No. 1944-45:1, and Bulletin No. 1943-44:7, which were sent me by Lt. Col. Williams marked for your attention. Do you, by the way, receive regularly copies of his General Reports to the field? If you do, there is no need for me to continue to advise you from time to time concerning various parts of these reports which I feel would be of interest to you. Let me know about this so that we can avoid any duplication.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH F. LEEDE
Commander, USNR
Special Funds Officer
OSS CBI

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HEADQUARTERS
O.S.S. S. U. DEF. 202
A P O 627

22 October 1944

Colonel John G. Coughlin
Hqs OSS - CBI
APO 885

Dear Colonel:

Here I am back at the old business of typing again. If you had just let me along with my money bags, I wouldn't have had to pound this typewriter because I had Davis trained to the point where he did all of that very nicely -- but be that as it may I felt it would be best for me to write this letter to you myself. In the first place there are only one or two people here who know that we have been busy the past few days shipping footlockers and personal papers to India. I have felt that under the circumstances it was better to say nothing about it. Of course the truth of the matter is that I don't know exactly what could be said anyway as I can only read between the lines and it would be easy to read wrong. I do hope to hear from you soon at least advising me as to what is taking place so that I can better do the job here. Several things have come up that in view of the situation I felt should best be referred to you, altho I am trying to decide everything that I possibly can. I can assure you that mistakes made will be honest ones in the interest of getting this place going.

REPRODUCTION SPACE

Yesterday a letter written by you on 6 October came to my desk. It was the one in which you asked several questions about space for reproduction. Prior to getting this we had more or less settled the question. Cunningham had breezed into town with a sketch of what he needed which was a bldg 110' by 20'. I couldn't see this at all, so Hall, Gabriel and myself got him in and went over the plan with him. What we finally wound up with was a bldg 70' by 20' which he agreed to and which I subsequently suggested that we cut down to only 50' long. This of course would mean a new bldg which you indicate in your letter is not desired. We were planning on one about 100' long which would house reproduction, most of communications and the cartographers. After receiving your letter I have decided to hold up on this bldg. This would have been in addition to the warehouse which is now being built in the hospital compound. While I would like to go ahead and get all of this work done, I do not like to take it on in view of the attitude reflected in your letter. I have a feeling that you may not realize what this place is going to be in size and that you think we are running away with ourselves. It certainly would be highly desirable for you to come up as soon as possible so that you can see for yourself and we can settle the problem. It is difficult and unsatisfactory to try to do this by letters.

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We have been in the process of reorganizing commo so that they will be

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able to operate in a really efficient manner and give us a first class commo set up. This involves changing the present arrangement greatly which everyone seems to agree is lousy. I have asked other signal people besides our own to satisfy myself on this point. Perhaps I am being too ambitious on the entire deal but it is my feeling that if we are going to do anything at all now, we had better to a really first class job. We are so dependent on commo for all of our functioning that I should like to see them well set up. I have asked Horton and Brody to write up a full statement of what they propose to do and why. Also to indicate fully why the present arrangement is inadequate as well as to point out the solutions. With this we should have a background of information about the commo set up which any poor dope like myself can understand and which would serve as a basis for making decisions as to what course of action we will take. I feel this is necessary since so much of our development in the past has been on the basis of spot decisions which got us over a particular hump but did not fit into a well defined program.

FORMOSANS -

Your answer to my wire about amount of money to be spent on Gleysteans new agents referred to Koreans whereas I had wired you about Formosans. I assumed that this was simply an error in coding and am going ahead to see how they react to your suggestions.

KOREANS

Your no 118 to this has asked for all possible info about ways of attacking the Korean intelligence problem. I wired Wilkie asking him for particulars on the Weems plan but received no answer until yesterday. At the same time I received a copy of a letter which he had written to you and included in it was the Weems plan so I am not forwarding the info received.

TRANSFER of LT DAUER

In the letter I wrote to Col Hall was some info about the impending transfer of Lt Dauer. He had asked me to go ahead on it, but use discretion because of the organization from which he would be transferred. This has been done and the necessary papers for his transfer have been forwarded to Delhi. I wanted you to know this so that you could look into the matter there and expedite it and also so that you could advise me what you want him used for here. I can get him on DS pending the transfer if you so desire. I think he is the fellow you once tried to get from General Waters in case you have forgotten him.

Pvt SEALEY

As I understand it he is to be used in the MO/AGAS plan. You indicated he could proceed to Sian. Who is he to report to? We will draw his orders and make arrangements to get him out. Is Col Dickey to help us on this or is he out of this particular plan?

SICK CALL

We continue to have people in the hospital. We have been running at least two or three people in the hospital every day for the last month. Gabriel is now in with some ailment to his legs. I don't know yet how serious it is but expect to find out to-day. Seaman Jung is in with some foot ailment also. All this keeps us from getting under full steam, but we're still trying.

WAREHOUSE

The warehouse in the hospital compound is coming along pretty well. We should have one section of it done by the end of the month and can then move in commo heavy equipment. The entire job should be completed by the 15th of November.

VISITORS

Lt Applebaum is here now. He arrived Friday without any advance warning or notice. I've spent some time with him. He is now with Lockwood. He plans to go to Chungking Wed and spend a few days there. I noticed that General Miller went thru here on his way to Chungking. I assume he will be back thru here and am trying to make preparations for him. What is he and what is he interested in?

PROMOTION of MM

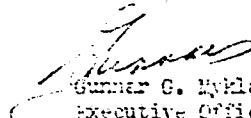
There has been a slight mixup on the promotion of some commo MM. Some who were put in for Corporal by Horton were given PFC before you could possibly have seen the wire. Also a promotion was authorized for T/5 Mahoney which Horton feels should be held off for a while. I think his reasons are good, and am attaching a copy of his memo to me on the subject. Will you hold the slot for us? I want to say that the promotions for the MM generally were swell. They are very much appreciated here and have boosted morale tremendously. It is good to know that we are being looked out for by you.

SCHULTHEIS

This fellow is a little more than troublesome. He is hard to get along with but we are doing our best. He is very mad at Doc Lynn. All of the boys who come in from the field now want to see the unit reactivated under OSS. Col Murphy is a little stuffy but not too bad. I had him down for dinner and spent a good evening with him. I try to stop in and visit him every other day if for no other reason than to pass the time of day.

That's about all I can think of now. We have secured several people from ZFOS on TD to help out and they are all pitching in and working hard. I feel that we are shaping up slowly but surely and hope you will be out before too long to see us. I'm having a staff meeting in a little while. Now try to have one once a week and believe that it does some good in getting these people together and working as a team.

Sincerely,



Gunner G. Mykland, insign USA
Executive Officer
Hqs OSS - Det 202
APO 627

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HEADQUARTERS
OSS SU Det. 202
APO 627

20 October, 1944

SUBJECT: Promotions of EM

TO: Executive Officer, OSS SU Det. 202, APO 627

1. Reference is made to message MIL/5 dated 16 October, 1944, covering promotions of EM specified by Colonel Coughlin.
2. Request that slot for promotion of PFC Warren Husslein to Cpl. be transferred to Det. 101 as this EM has been attached to the Br. Hqs. of this Detachment at APO 465.
3. Request that the slot for the promotion of T/5 George W. Mahoney to T/4, be held open temporarily as this EM has been in this Theater less than six weeks and it is desired that he serve for a minimum of eight weeks before promotion is effected.

Jack E. Horton
Major Sig C
Communications Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
OSS, SU, DET. 202, OSI
APO 627

24 October 1944

SUBJECT: JICA Intelligence

TO : Miss Marjorie Leveryns, HQ, OSS, OSI, APO 885
via Colonel Robert B. Hall, & Col. John L. Coughlin

1. Reference is made to your letter of 17 October 1944.
2. The IC abstracts which you are making will be entirely satisfactory.

H. C. Faxon
HAROLD C. FAXON,
Major, AUS.,
Chief IC, China Area.

1st Ind.
HQ OSS SU DET 202, OSI APO 627
TC: Commanding Officer, HQ OSS, SHIDNEater, APO 885
25 October 1944

Forward.

For the Commanding Officer:

Gunnar G. Myrland
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Ensign, USNR
Executive Officer

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HQ. OSS. SU. DETACHMENT 202 CBI
APO 627

Source: HQ. IC Div., ATC, CIC
Branch Office #4-5

Evaluation: C-0

Sub-source: Influential Chinese
Officials,

Evaluation: F-0

Date of Info: 22 Oct 44

Dissemination: C.O., OSS CBI APO 885
C.G., 14th USAAF (Att. A-2)
APO 627

AGAS, Kunming
"Y" Force, Salween Area

Report: #Y-1048

(YH/AM, 202-44)

Date: 24 Oct 44

No. of pages: 1

Attachments: 0

Report (confirms)

(contradicts) #Y

(supplements)

Subject: JAPANESE DESIGNS IN SOUTHWEST CHINA

1. The Japanese plan to establish land communications between the KWANGSI Province and Indo-China. If such communication can be established operations will be pointed toward the occupation of the city of KUNMING (25° 04'N, 102° 41'E)

2. Japanese strength in China is set at eighty (80) divisions with twenty-two (22) thousand troops per division.

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HEADQUARTERS
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CBI
APO 885

25 October 1944

Cpl. Robert Davis
Special Funds Office
HQ OSS SU Detachment 202
APO 627

Dear Bob:

I have just received a letter from Frank Mangeng telling me that he has, without removing more than one set of binders and some filler, forwarded your footlocker on to you in China. I thought I had carefully explained that certain of the contents of the locker belonged to me, but apparently Frank either forgot about, or lost the memo I left with him.

Will you, therefore, ship back to me the set of binders and filler, the air mattress and pillow, the maps, the Chinese text books, and anything else you may have packed for me. It's just too damn bad that this mix-up occurred, but I suppose it could not be helped. I am more concerned about the set of books since we badly need them here in Delhi, and if there is anything which should be sent first, then by all means let it be the binders and filler.

I am planning to have a conference with Col. Coughlin this afternoon at which time the complete organization of Special Funds in CBI will be discussed. I have drawn up a plan of what appears to me to be the best possible set up, and I hope that Col. Coughlin will approve it. I expect to centralize all Special Funds CBI activities here in Delhi, where an over-all report will be made up each month for forwarding to Washington, which will incorporate all transactions, by totals, of course, made in the theater, together with an over-all analysis and general report. I very much hope that you will be able to come to Delhi to help me with this, as well as accompany me on various trips throughout the theater for purposes of auditing, etc. I would appreciate your letting me know how you feel about this because naturally I don't want to ask that you make the change if you yourself would rather not do so.

Please let me know your opinion about the above as I am anxious to know if I can count on your services at the central office here in Delhi.

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With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH F. LEETE
Commander, USNR
Special Funds Officer
OSS CBI

JFL/ec

P.S. In case you need any of the filler that is in the locker, by all means take whatever you require. I want here one complete set of binders and enough filler for each to set up separate accounts for the reserve fund and for Dalhi expenditures.

HEADQUARTERS
OSS. SU. DET. 202, CBI
APO 627

26 October 1944

SUBJECT: Correspondence from Indian Refugees from Singapore.

TO : Mrs. Betty MacDonald
via Col. Robert B. Hall and Col. John W. Coughlin

1. The enclosed letter and address slip were brought to this office today by one of our Chinese operators who obtained them under the following conditions.
2. Three Indians, who had been interned by the Japanese near Hongkong, managed to escape and were captured by some of our couriers who turned them over to a guerrilla detachment. The latter extended good treatment to the Indians who expressed a wish to show their appreciation by working for the allied cause.
3. One of them wrote the enclosed letter (in ink) and asked that it be forwarded to the address, presumably near Calcutta, as given on the pencilled slip.
4. There is no one available here who can read Hindustani, hence we are unable to form any idea of the contents of the note. We therefore suggest that you have a translation made and, if it turns out to be a bona fide letter, follow the following procedure.
 - a. Have the letter placed in an envelope and send to Calcutta for delivery by messenger.
 - b. Ask the recipient to write a reply, expressing pleasure at the safety of the Indian refugees and urging him and all of his party and any other Indians, whom he or they may contact, to do every thing possible to assist the allies.
 - c. Let your messenger take the reply, promising to see that it reaches destination, and forward it to you.
 - d. You can have it translated and then forward the original to us for transmission to the address.
5. Our agent will see that it is delivered and will make good NO use of the letter and of the fact that escaped Indian PW can communicate with their families in India. They of course must reciprocate by working against the Japanese and our agent believes that we can produce material results by these methods.

HAROLD C. FAXON,
Major, AUS.,
Chief NO, China Area.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Charles S. Cheston
 Via: OSSTO
 From: Far East Theater Office
 Subject: Request for four enlisted men's slots - CBI

202 personnel

On the basis of recent cables from the field, request is made for allowance of enlisted men's slots for CBI as follows:

1. One first sergeant for recruitment in the field of 1st Sgt. William Brough. This was requested in cable 11307 from New Delhi, dated 25 October 1944.
2. Two privates for recruitment in the field for Pvts. Donald B. Madams and Nicholas Cantinasio, to work in SI under AGFRTS. This was requested in cable 11117 from New Delhi, dated 22 October 1944.
3. One staff sergeant for the recruitment in the field of S/Sgt. Onni W. Paavola, for work with the R&A Branch. This was requested in cable 11207 from New Delhi, dated 23 October 1944.

GEORGE C. DEMAC
 Lt (jg) USNR
 Far East Theater Officer

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CHINA BURMA INDIA

28 October 1944

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Enclosures: Memorandum to Major Faxon from
Betty MacDonald re Japanese
personnel

Copy of memorandum from Captain
Caldwell to Major Monroe re OSS/MO
AGAS Program in Calcutta

Copy of memorandum from Lt. Col.
Little to Col. Coughlin re Beta
Printing Unit with book let

Copy of memorandum from Captain
Oliver to Major Stevens re
Archibald A. McFadyan, Jr. and
OSS/MO*Agas Project

MO Abstracts #55

Photostats of "Who's Who in Japanese
Military Training"

Translation Series Nos. 28, 29, 31

TO: Commanding Officer
OSSSU Detachment 202
APO 627
Attention: Major Harold C. Faxon

FROM: OSS, MO, New Delhi

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